

still suffer today. The peace talks recently concluded in Moscow regrettably made no progress toward the resolution of the Karabagh conflict. Turkey continues to blockade humanitarian aid to Armenia.

However, the Armenian people look hopefully to the future. Their quest for peace and democracy continues to inspire people around the world. Armenians who have emigrated to other countries, especially those in my home State of Rhode Island, bring their traditions with them. They enrich the culture and contribute much to the society of their new homelands.

The continuing reports of the recent atrocities committed in Bosnia reaffirm the importance of our commitment to always remember the Armenian genocide. As long as hate and intolerance are a part of our world, we must be vigilant. We must stand as witnesses to protect people from persecution for the simple reason that they are different.

I hope to visit Armenia in the near future. I wish to see the treasures of that land firsthand and pay tribute to the indomitable spirit of the people of Armenia. Until that time, I want to ensure the Armenian community that we remember. *Menk panav chenk mornar.*●

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#### UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S. 562

Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that at 11:30 a.m., on Friday, April 25, the Banking Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 562 and the Senate then immediately begin consideration under the following limitation: 1 hour for debate on the bill equally divided in the usual form, there will be no amendments in order to the bill, and following the conclusion or yielding back of time the bill will be read for a third time with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### RELATING TO JURISDICTION FOR LAWSUITS AGAINST TERRORIST STATES

Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 1225, which was received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1225) to make a technical correction to title 28, United States Code, relating to jurisdiction for lawsuits against terrorist states.

Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the bill be deemed read a third time, passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table and that any statements relating to the bill be placed at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 1225) was deemed read three times and passed.

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#### ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 1997

Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Friday, April 25.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. ROBERTS. I further ask unanimous consent that on Friday, immediately following the prayer, the routine requests through the morning hour be granted and there be then a period of morning business until the hour of 11:30 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for up to 5 minutes each with the following exceptions: Senator SMITH of Oregon for 30 minutes, Senator DORGAN 30 minutes, Senator DASCHLE or his designee for 30 minutes, Senator THOMAS or his designee for 60 minutes; from 10:30 to 11:30, Senator GRAMS for 10 minutes, Senator KENNEDY for 20 minutes, Senator CONRAD for 10 minutes, Senator WELLSTONE for 10 minutes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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#### PROGRAM

Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, tomorrow from 9:30 in the morning until 11:30, the Senate will be in a period of morning business to accommodate a number of Senators wishing to speak.

At 11:30, the Senate will begin consideration of S. 562, the reverse mortgage bill. Under the agreement, there will be 1 hour for debate on that bill. However it is our understanding that no Senator will request a rollcall on passage, therefore, with that in mind, Senators should not expect rollcall votes to occur during Friday's session of the Senate.

On Monday, April 28, the Senate will debate the motion to proceed to S. 543, regarding protections to volunteers. A cloture motion will be filed tomorrow on this issue, which will call for a cloture vote on the motion to proceed to S. 543 on Tuesday of next week. Therefore, the next rollcall vote will occur on Tuesday, April 29, at 2:15 p.m. If cloture is invoked on Tuesday, it is expected that the Senate will proceed to the bill on Tuesday. Therefore, additional votes can be expected to occur on Tuesday on amendments to the volunteer protection bill.

The Senate could also be asked to turn to any other Legislative or Executive Calendar items that may be cleared for action.

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#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 10:48 p.m., adjourned until Friday, April 25, 1997, at 9:30 a.m.